

REMARKS

The present amendment is in response to the Office Action dated June 11, 2003. Claims 29-42, 55, 57, 58, 60-68 and 70-74 are now present in this case. Claims 29-33 and 35-42 are allowed. Claims 34, 55 and 70-74 are amended.

The applicants wish to express their appreciation to the Examiner for his allowance of claims 29-33 and 39-42 and for the Examiner's indication that claims 34 and 69-74 contain allowable subject matter.

The Examiner objected to the disclosure due to a mislabeled reference number. The specification has been amended to correct the typographical error.

Claim 34 has been amended to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Accordingly, claim 34 is now in condition for allowance.

Claim 58 has been amended to correct a typographical error such that claim 58 now correctly depends from claim 57. This amendment overcomes the rejection of claim 58 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

The Examiner had indicated that claims 69-74 were objected to as being dependent on a rejected base claim. Claim 69, which depended from base claim 55 has been canceled and elements of claim 69 incorporated into base claim 55. Accordingly, claim 55 is now in condition for allowance. Claims 57, 58 and 60-68 are also in condition for allowance in view of the fact that they depend from claim 55, and further in view of the recitation in each of those claims.

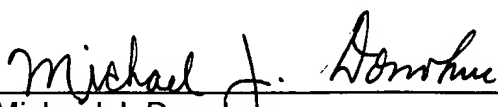
Claims 70-74 have been amended to depend from claim 55 and are also in condition for allowance.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the subject application and its allowance are kindly requested. If questions remain regarding the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (206) 628-7640.

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